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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights and families of Council 2950, a new month is upon us, and we are all looking forward to sunshine and growth soon.

Thank you for our breakfast team this past February. Another very good breakfast for our community! Lots of thanks to everyone that came to help. Rick Similuk and I would like to thank everyone that helped at the Trivia Night as well. We appreciate Paul, Ed, Guy and Warren for cooking, Phil and Denise Kupser for running beverages, Laurie Similuk for the salads, Evan Similuk for preparing the popcorn, John Gasowski for helping with 50/50 ticket sales and admissions, Fr Alex for a lot of help setting up in the afternoon, and Anthony and Amanda Quagliato for prepping the coffee and everyone for setup and tear down! We had another very successful night! Thanks also and again to our Texas Holdem' team for all the work in mid-February. Thank you, Don Heydens, for your excellent consistency in this valuable work!

Brothers, thank you for coming out in February to pay respects and lead the Rosary for the families Brother Knights Dan Olson and Joseph Syler, as well as Ed Campbell's wife Mary Ann. We have a wonderful tradition to pray the Rosary at our meetings, and then to do the same as part of the wake service. It is a great honor within our fraternity to do this.

We are excited for these events and look for you to come out to some of them please:

- Mar 2 – CPR/AED Training
- Mar 3 – Monthly breakfast
- Mar 14 – General membership meeting
- Mar 15 – St. Pat's Set-up at 4:30 p.m. in the gym and cafeteria. We could use many, many hands for table set-ups
- March 16 – Annual St. Pat's Party and Fundraiser – please see article
- Mar 17 – Quick and final clean-up in the morning
- Mar 22 – Service at the Rising Stars Academy – we need 10 Brothers to help in the morning, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brothers, it is always a true honor to be part of the St. Lawrence Council. We have dedicated members and officers who desire to carry out our Order's mission of Charity, be it in service or financial support in our community and world. Many Past Grand Knights remaining; it is always reassuring to have experienced members that can offer guidance. Our programs and involvement in Faith, Community, Life and Family events allow our Council to provide opportunities to you all and to St. Lawrence Parish, leading the way for solid, Catholic events. Our relevance to the Parish is the bedrock for new membership. A key aspect to our success and longevity is the fraternal part of our council. WHY DID YOU JOIN THE COUNCIL? Many of you joined because someone you knew asked you to, or you saw someone with great Catholic character and this made an impression on you. We would love to see you come to our meetings or events. Bring some brothers that don't come around that often. One way to carry out Charity more easily is to have fun while doing so; what better way to do this than with people you know.

Make a couple of phone calls or texts, get the guys together and come out to our meetings – hear about the latest things we're doing, have a pop or beer and a snack. If you hear something interesting, ask about getting involved with the people you brought to the meeting. We really do want to see your face, hear your jokes and see as many brothers as possible.

Thanks,
Joe Lograsso, Grand Knight



Council Activities (2024)			
Event	Date	Time	Location
Breakfast	3/3/2024	6:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Cafeteria
General Meeting	3/14/2024	6:30 Rosary, 7 p.m. Meeting	Middle School Café
St. Pat's Set-up	3/15/2024	5 p.m.	Cafeteria/Gym
St. Pat's Party	3/16/2024	all day	Cafeteria/Gym
St. Pat's Clean-up	3/17/2024	morning	Cafeteria/Gym
Texas Holdem'	3/21-24/2024	6:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.	One Eyed Jacks
Rising Stars Service Morning	3/22/2024	8 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Rising Stars Academy
Planning Meeting (Holy Week)	3/25/2024	7 p.m.	TBD
MI Drive	4/5/2024	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Middle School Café
MI Drive	4/6/2024	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Middle School Café
MI Drive	4/7/2024	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Middle School Café
General Meeting	4/11/2024	6:30 Rosary, 7 p.m. Meeting	Cafe B
Breakfast	4/14/2024	6:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Cafeteria
Planning Meeting	4/25/2024	7 p.m.	Cafe B
Silver Rose	5/4-10/2024	Week long activities	
General Meeting	5/9/2024	6:30 Rosary, 7 p.m. Meeting	Cafe B
Breakfast	5/12/2024	6:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Cafeteria
Planning Meeting	5/30/2024	7 p.m.	Social Hall



The 2024 Council membership dues have been sent out by email and U.S. Mail. If you have not paid your dues, please send them in as soon as possible. If you did not receive a bill, please contact the Financial Secretary.

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ST LAWRENCE COUNCIL 2950
Meetings – 2nd and Last Thursday of Each Month



Prayer List

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MI Drive	Dan Weingartz
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Pro-Life	Chris and Sharon Gill

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick, recovering.

Debra Campbell	Jim Langeveld
Ed Campbell	Stephanie Langeveld
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Anthony Cicerone	Rick Lumetta
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Ray Keller	FR. Ron Victor
Larry Kierzek	Harlan Wagner
Ken Kraniak	Beverly Welch

Knights Corporation Meetings

Mar 11	St. Matthias	7:00 – 10:00PM
Apr 1	St. Matthias	7:00 – 10:00PM
May 6	St. Matthias	7:00 – 10:00PM

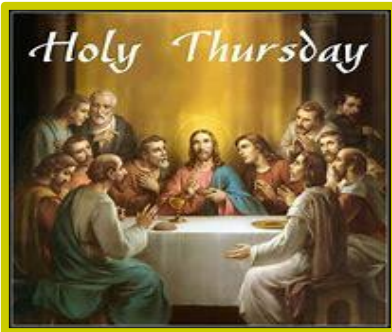
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Holy Week

March 24 – Palm Sunday

God Most High, gracious and glorious,
blessed is the one who comes in your name.
Lead us now on the road to the cross.
May we follow with faithfulness and joy,
shouting hosanna in the highest heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen



March 28 – Holy Thursday

My Most Precious Lord Jesus, this night You gathered with Your Apostles to share with them Your last meal. But this was no ordinary meal. This was the gift of Your most Sacred Body and Blood, soon to be broken and poured out on the Cross for the salvation of the world.

March 29 – Good Friday

Good Friday morning prayer

“Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. We praise you for his perfect life and his willingness to die for our sins. We ask that you would use his death and resurrection to draw us closer to you and to each other. Amen.”

Good Friday evening prayer

“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.”



March 31 – Easter Sunday



Lord God, You loved this world so much, that you gave your one and only Son, that we might be called your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon your grace and rejoice in our salvation.

Knight of the Month



The Knight of the Month for March is Allan Mulka. He and his wife Diane reside on Mayfair Rd. in Shelby Township for 45 years.

Allan and Diane belong to St. Lawrence Parish where Allan is an usher.

Allen retired in 2019 where he worked 44 years as a sales rep for various steel companies.

A thirty-eight-year member of St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus, Allan has held the office of Trustee and is currently the President of the Knights Corporation.

In his spare time Allan enjoys fishing, hunting and coaching their grandchildren in sports.

Congratulations Allan for being chosen Knight of the Month for March by your Brother Knights.

Family of the Month



The Family of the Month for January is Paul and Lisa Burmeister. Paul and Lisa reside on Plum Grove Drive in Macomb Township for the past 38 years.

Paul and Lisa have been married for 46 years and have two daughters Christina and Rachel.

They belong to St. Lawrence Parish where Lisa volunteers as a catechist and the funeral lunch program.

Paul has been retired since 2019 and Lisa works for Donato Landscaping in Shelby Township.

Paul joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 1996 and is a Fourth Degree Member. He has held the positions of Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Knights Corp. President and is currently the Financial Secretary and Knight Life editor. He is also a chairman for the M/I Drive and the Coats for Kids Program. Lisa volunteers for the M/I Drive, Christmas Family Program and other events at the Council and parish.

In their spare time Paul enjoys following Detroit sports teams and going to the gym. Lisa enjoys golfing, sewing and going to plays at Meadowbrook Theatre.

Congratulations for being chosen Family of the Month for the month of March by your Brother Knights.



Providing Opportunities and Inclusion for People with Learning Impairments

It was approximately nine years ago that Ray Campbell took me to a newer school in Centerline, MI whose focus was on young adults with special education needs: Rising Stars Academy. We met (now Brother) Mark Prentiss and his wife Debbie. Ray is cousins with Debbie and I soon learned that the new school was established with a novel mission of culinary training for the young adult students with an outcome of employment.

Mark and Debbie are educators and knew first hand that people with special needs are capable of much more than what is implied by earning a Certificate of Completion in 12th grade. This was the founding aim of Rising Stars Academy, as well as that of our Council, is to show respect to the whole person and provide more than just polite interaction to people with special needs. Inclusion, a sense of accomplishment and appreciation provide affirmation as an equal member of God's family and this is successfully fulfilled at Rising Stars Academy.

Recently an online feature on Rising Stars Academy shows the successes and latest endeavors of the school. Please check it out here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dgtuQuzJL6U>

Please Help Support!!

50th Annual M.I. Drive / "Tootsie Roll Drive"
To Assist Michigan Citizens with Intellectual / Developmental Disabilities
March 22-24, 2024





SAVE THE DATE

BRINGING THE SILVER ROSE
TO THE ST. LAWRENCE
COMMUNITY
MAY 4-10, 2024



History of the Silver Rose

Our Lady of Guadalupe did so much for her people in Mexico that, in 1960, the Columbian Squires, a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus, wanted to give something back to her.

The group of young men in Knights of Columbus Council 2312 in Monterrey, Mexico, came up with the idea of running a rose to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. The rose was chosen to commemorate Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses, an important part of the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The first rose was a natural rose and was blessed by Bishop John C. Cody of London. It was then flown to New York where it was received by Grand Knight Joseph Thomasen, who in turn, took it to Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart. Mr. Hart then shepherded the rose to Dallas, Texas. There, Texas State Deputy Jack Collerin received the rose and took it to Laredo, Texas, where it was finally given to the Squires from Monterrey, Mexico, at the International Bridge in Laredo. They ran the rose from the International Bridge through Sabinas Hidalgo N.L., Mexico, to Cienega de Flores and on to the Basilica in Monterrey, Mexico, on December 12, 1960.

Our council will be hosting the Silver Rose at St. Lawrence. We are planning several great activities, including:

- May 4, 2024 4:30 p.m. Mass - Presentation of the Silver Rose with Social Afterwards
- May 8, 2024 School Mass - Student Presentation of Silver Rose
- May 8, 2024 Prayer Service - 6 p.m. St. Lawrence Church with Social Afterwards

Please save the dates and we welcome your help!



Help Needed!!

Our next event is scheduled for March 21-24, 2024. (Thursday through Sunday.) The times have changed, we are working from 6:30pm until 2:00am. A sign-up sheet will be available at the Council meetings. One Eyed Jacks is located in the shopping center on the Southeast corner of 22 Mile and VanDyke.

Please contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com or call 586-419-3420 to help work this event.

**One Eyed Jacks
Charity Poker Room
48922 Van Dyke
Shelby Township, MI 48317**

Come and Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!!

Sponsored By: St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus



Menu includes: scrambled eggs, sausage, potatoes, pancakes, biscuits and gravy, coffee and orange juice.

Adults: \$8:00 / Children 12 and under \$4.00

**Sunday March 3, 2024
8:30am – 12:00pm**

St. Pat's Rockin' Party



You are Invited -
Get Tickets Early

St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus #2950

Saturday March 16, 2024
St. Lawrence Gym and Cafeteria
Dinner, Open Bar, Desserts
Big, Big Raffle Prizes
Music by Mainstream Drive

Don't wait to reserve your seats your seats.

\$45 per person includes: Dinner, Open Bar, Desserts, Pizza at 11pm
Great Raffles and 50/50 Drawing

Contact Joe Lograsso for tickets and information!

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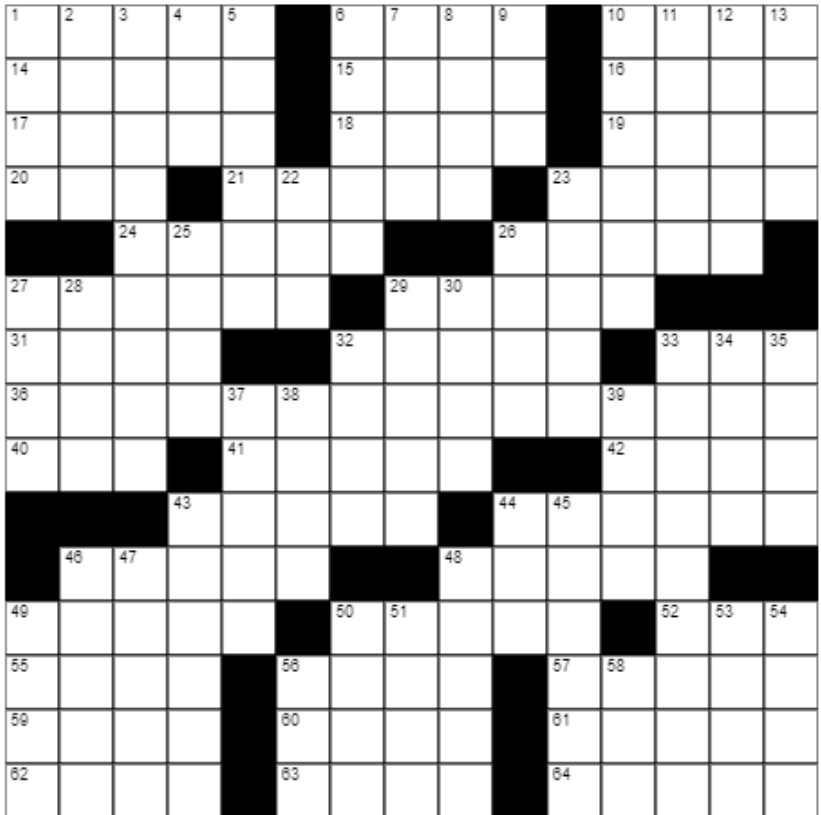
Crossword Puzzle

Across

1- Fluffy; 6- Web locale; 10- Be a mother to;
 14- Bahamanian island; 15- Counterfeiter
 catcher; 16- Expel gas or odor; 17- ___ your
 life!; 18- Greet the day; 19- Area of 4840
 square yards; 20- Shoebox letters; 21-
 Intoxicated; 23- Skedaddles; 24- Head cold;
 26- Conger catcher; 27- Disclose; 29-
 Suggest; 31- Offer; 32- Gastropod mollusk;
 33- Arts deg.; 36- Typical instance; 40- LAX
 posting; 41- Long; 42- Lawyer Dershowitz;
 43- Fragrance; 44- Italian sausage; 46-
 Macho guys; 48- Brightest star in Cygnus; 49-
 Smelling ___; 50- Astonish; 52- Summer
 Games org.; 55- Addict; 56- Partly open; 57-
 Funny Anne; 59- Sicilian smoker; 60- Steak
 order; 61- Little bits; 62- Aborigine of Borneo;
 63- Fired; 64- Concerning;

Down

1- Hamlet, for one; 2- It's blown among the
 reeds; 3- Daphnia; 4- Sgt., for one; 5- Over
 there; 6- Play chords; 7- Poker declaration; 8-
 Piece of work; 9- Hydrocarbon ending; 10- For sure?; 11- Host; 12- Broadcaster; 13- Hwys.; 22- Grog
 ingredient; 23- Gal's guy; 25- Actor Ian; 26- Long poem, such as those attributed to Homer; 27- Words of
 understanding; 28- Immediately following; 29- Prefix with red; 30- Chief; 32- Former name of Thailand; 33-
 Having two lips; 34- Froth; 35- Years in old Rome; 37- Funeral fires; 38- Boxer Spinks; 39- Story, often rooted
 in folklore; 43- Pacific Surfliner operator; 44- Oh yeah? ___ who?; 45- Hemoglobin deficiency; 46- Hurried; 47-
 Actress Verdugo; 48- Ventured; 49- Took to court; 50- "Iliad" warrior; 51- Female horse; 53- Algerian seaport;
 54- Dramatis personae; 56- First name in Notre Dame football; 58- Awfully long time;



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St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel



The St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel is now open Monday through Friday 6am-7pm. Our Brother Knights donated much of their time, talent, and treasure in renovating this room as an adoration space to honor Christ's true presence in the Eucharist as the summit of our faith. Father Roman commissioned the beautiful sculpture and monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament.

Our council was instrumental in building the Adoration Chapel, with members donating funds as well as their talents at construction. Please remember to visiting the chapel as it is tied to our mission.

February 2024		
Council Membership Summary		
Associate Members		237
Insurance Members		131
Inactive Members		17
Total Members		385
Included In Totals		
Honorary Members		13
25 Years Continuous Years of Service / age 65		
Honorary Life Members		89
25 Years Continuous Years of Service / age 70		

Answers to Crossword Puzzle

1	D	2	O	3	W	4	N	5	Y	6	S	7	I	8	T	9	E	10	R	11	E	12	A	13	R
14	A	15	B	16	A	17	C	18	O	19	T	20	M	21	A	22	N	23	E	24	M	25	I	26	T
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20	E	21	E	22	E	23	D	24	R	25	U	26	N	27	K	28	F	29	L	30	31	32	33	34	35
27	I	28	N	29	F	30	O	31	R	32	M	33	I	34	M	35	P	36	L	37	38	39	40	41	42
31	S	32	E	33	L	34	L	35	S	36	N	37	A	38	I	39	L	40	B	41	42	43	44	45	46
36	E	37	X	38	E	39	M	40	P	41	L	42	I	43	F	44	I	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52
40	E	41	T	42	A	43	Y	44	E	45	A	46	R	47	N	48	A	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
43	A	44	R	45	O	46	M	47	A	48	S	49	A	50	L	51	A	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59
46	H	47	E	48	M	49	E	50	N	51	D	52	E	53	N	54	E	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62
49	S	50	A	51	L	52	T	53	S	54	A	55	M	56	A	57	Z	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65
55	U	56	S	57	E	58	R	59	A	60	J	61	A	62	R	63	M	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
59	E	60	T	61	N	62	A	63	R	64	A	65	R	66	E	67	I	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75
62	D	63	Y	64	A	65	K	66	A	67	X	68	E	69	D	70	A	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the April Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than March 25, 2024. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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